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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fees calculated below <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> including Attachments A-B <input type="checkbox"/> After Final Amendment/Reply <input type="checkbox"/> including Attachment(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Petition <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Appl. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

FEES CALCULATION: For claims if required and/or other fees as shown below:					
	NOW	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TOTAL CLAIMS	48	- 20	28	X \$ 50 =	1400
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	11	- 4	7	X \$ 200 =	1400
TOTAL OF ABOVE CLAIMS FEES =					2800
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduction by 1/2 for small entity status of applicant					1400
SUBTOTAL =					1400
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee for extension of time (per attached Petition)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Other fee for					
TOTAL OF ALL FEES =					1400.00

☒ A CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$1400.00 is enclosed.

- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee, additional fee or extension fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555:
- (1) if no payment or an insufficient payment is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith; or
 - (2) if no petition for extension of time is enclosed but an EOT is required - and in this event, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely.

Date: November 21, 2005

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Preliminary to the examination thereof, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A) please consider the responsive **Remarks** provided herewith in **Attachment A**; and

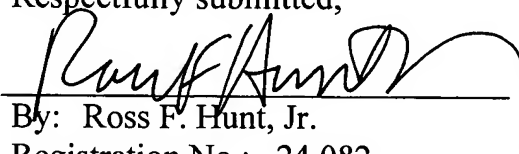
B) please amend the above identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in **Attachment B**.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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